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TAGS: PFOR, AO, US

SUBJ: ANGOLAN MERCENARY TRIAL: APPROACH TO NETO

REF: THE HAGUE 3623

1. DUTCH MFA POLITICAL DIRECTOR INFORMED EMBASSY THAT MESSAGE JUST RECEIVED FROM BELGIAN CONSUL IN LUANDA REPORTING HE MADE ORAL DEMARCHE ON BEHALF OF EC-9 JULY 2. BECAUSE OF HIS RANK BELGIAN HAD TO TRANSMIT MESSAGE TO ISMAEL MARTINS, PRIVATE SECRETARY TO PRESIDENT NETO. HE WAS REQUESTED ALSO TO PRESENT EC-9 APPEAL IN WRITING TO SECRETARY GENERAL OF MFA, WHICH HE IS DOING JULY 3. APPARENTLY HIS ITALIAN COLLEAGUE FAILED TO RECEIVE TIMELY INSTRUCTIONS SO DID NOT JOIN.

2. RUTTEN SAID BELGIAN MESSAGE ALSO INCLUDED BELGIAN CONSUL'S PERSONAL VIEWS ON LOCAL SITUATION. AS PROVIDED TO US, THEY WERE THAT ANGOLANS WERE QTE VERY IRRITATED UNQTE OVER USG VETO OF ANGOLA'S APPLICATION FOR ADMISSION TO UN MEMBERSHIP. BELGIAN CONSUL ALSO OBSERVED ANGOLANS EXTREMELY PROTOCOL-CONSCIOUS AS EVIDENCED BY FACT THEY RESENTED BRITISH PRIME MINISTER'S MESSAGE TO PRESIDENT NETO, ASSERTING IT SHOULD PROPERLY HAVE COME FROM QUEEN, WITH PM COMMUNICATING ONLY WITH ANGOLAN PM. REGARDING SENTENCES BELGIAN REPORTED LOCAL OPINION WAS THAT BARKER
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AND GEARHART HARSHLY TREATED, BUT GEARHART SENTENCE DISTINGUISHED

IN ANGOLAN EYES BY ALLEGATIONS HE WAS CIA AGENT.

3. RECOMMEND DEPARTMENT REPEAT AS APPROPRIATE.
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